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BIRTH.
At Bangkok, on the 14th instant, the wife of Captain CARTON, of a daughter.

DEATHS.
On the 13th inst. at Kobe, CHAMBERLAIN PRINCE HALL; aged 43.
At Kobe, on 15th instant, after a prolonged illness, CAROLINE MATHELD, the beloved wife of Aug. Evers.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 1897.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGE.

THE ROYAL NIGER EXPEDITION.

LONDON, January 22nd.
Reuter's Agency at Brass wires that the Niger Company's land column on reaching Kabba found the Yoruba Army on the South side of the Niger which was dispersed and is now panic-stricken. The column is now advancing to Bida. The flotilla which has already reached Bida cuts off the retreat of the fugitives to that town.

(From *Rangoon Times*.)

THE FAMINE IN INDIA.

MANSION HOUSE FUND.

LONDON, January 8th.
At the request of Lord George Hamilton, the Lord Mayor has opened an Indian Famines Relief fund, stating that unhappily *there is no longer any doubt as to the extreme gravity and rapid increase of the calamity which has overtaken India*. He asks the Provincial Mayors of the United Kingdom to form committees.

AID FROM RUSSIA.

LONDON, January 7th.
Large quantities of corn for India are arriving at Odessa.

THOUSANDS DIE OF HUNGER.

With the Calcutta *Statesman's* of the 3rd instant is issued, in the form of a supplement, a facsimile reproduction of the three photographs taken the other day at the Jabalpur Poor-house. These "living pictures" enable one to realize more vividly than anything but actual inspection could, what is going on in the Central Provinces.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

CALCUTTA, January 6th.
Telegrams from Bombay announced the death of Surgeon-Major Mauer, first physician of the Jamjeejee Jeejeebhoy Hospital, from the plague.

CALCUTTA, January 7th.
Owing to the plague at Bombay many mills have stopped work, and others are only working with difficulty. 3,035 deaths have now occurred in Bombay, 125 at Kanchee and 42 at Poona. The exodus from Bombay continues, and a panic is commencing at Kanchee.

THE ENGINEERS' STRIKE.

MELBOURNE, January 8th.
The Australian shipowners refusing to disburse the not-Union engineers engaged during the late dispute, the strike has begun again.

(From *Bangkok Observer*.)

THE WAR IN CUBA.

LONDON, January 11th.
The Cuban insurgents are demoralized; their manliness are exhausted, and Gonsu admits that it is impossible to prolong the struggle.

SPAIN BACKING DOWN.

LONDON, January 14th.
The *New York World* states that an agreement has been virtually concluded between America and Spain with respect to the terms to be offered the Cubans, and that it will be submitted to Congress ten days hence.

THE NIGER EXPEDITION.

LONDON, January 10th.
Mr. R. D. R. Moor, Consul for the Niger Protection, and a number of officers, will sail from Liverpool on Saturday for Benin. A punitive expedition will be organized forthwith.

THE DIFFICULTY AT NATAL.

LONDON, January 11th.
The agitation against the landings of Indians is spreading throughout Natal, and the people of Durban have organised to prevent them landing from the two ships in the roadstead. It is believed that the Government has strangled for the ships to proceed to Delagoa.

REPORTED DEATH OF GENERAL WEYER.

Nagasaki, January 15th.
A telegram was received here from America yesterday, stating that General Weyer, the now notorious commander of the Spanish troops in Cuba, has been killed by the rebels. — *Express*.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE *Princess Wilhelm* and the *Kaiser* returned to-day from Miru Bay.

THE *Earl* and *Admiral Kornloff* survived here this afternoon from Nagasaki.

THE rice crops in both Cochin-China and Tonquin have turned out to be abundant for all purposes.

TO-MORROW afternoon the Hongkong Football Club will play the Navy under Rugby rules. Kick-off at 4.45 p.m.

THE final forecast of the Bengal rice crop shows that 150 million cwt. only is expected against 272 millions last year.

ALL Government offices will be closed on Tuesday, and prox., the first day of the Chinese New Year. The day is also a bank holiday.

THE *L. & C. Express* says the British North Borneo Company have received a telegram from Governor Beaufort stating that the crop of tobacco for 1896 is 15,320 bales as against 10,374 for 1895.

THE *Mercury* says:—Native advisers from Peking state that a very rich coal-bearing deposit has been found fifty-five *li* outside the Chungli Gate, and that good coal has been found a few feet under the earth.

THE Queen has approved the appointment of Mr. George Greville, C.M.G., Secretary in the Diplomatic Service, and Consul-General at Budapest, to be Her Majesty's Minister Resident and Consul-General at Bangkok.

— *Illustrated London News* —

LARGE number of what the police call "plum cases" were before Capt. Hastings day, and fines ranging from \$200 to \$5 were imposed.

Many small cases of theft were before the Bench before the magistracy to-day and were punished by the hard labour sentences that will carry the thieves well over the Cal-cut festival season.

CHOW and WONG CHUW were evidently preparing for New Year festivities, but as they could not account respectively for the possession of 8 bottles of sharks' fins and 20 catties of rice, they were to pay fines of \$20 or go into prison for 6 weeks.

I may be an enterprising runner for his boarding establishment but he forgot to get the permission of the officer in charge before boarding the steamer *Siu Sang*. This little lack of him his \$50 to-day, failing to pay which he forfeits his New Year address and given the Government his services for two months.

THE concession for the Bangsaphan Gold Mines, which was given to Signor LUZZATI, and afterwards floated as the "Gold Fields of Siam," has, according to the *Siam Observer*, been cancelled by the Siamese Government for breach of the conditions of the Concession.

THE official *Turkistan Gazette* considers that the presence of the plague in India, aggravating a situation caused by the famine, presents an imminent danger for Russia. Some urge the adoption of measures to prevent the introduction of the disease into Russian territory.

R. T. L. BULLOCK, Mr. Geo. Jamieson's relief British Consul and Assistant Judge in Shanghai, arrived at Shanghai from Chefoo on the 14th, 15th January and assumed charge on the 16th. Mr. Geo. Jamieson is probably proceeding home to leave by the mail boat due here from Shanghai to-morrow morning.

SPECIAL famine relief department has been opened in the Bombay Secretariat to deal with measures for relieving the famine in that Presidency. Other Relief Departments have at last been organised in Madras Presidency and the Central Provinces. Of course this action of Government is better late than never. Government acted only when action could no longer be delayed.

THE *London Globe* says:—"We understand that important negotiations are in progress, if not indeed already completed, whereby England is to derive considerable commercial benefits in connection with the opening up of China. A syndicate of English capitalists has obtained a concession for the construction and maintenance of a long railway of railway in that country, by which means a powerful counter check will be given to Russian designs in the Far East." We hope this is true.

THE report of the Board of Directors of the Steamboat Company, which reached this office at 5.15 p.m., is very satisfactory. It shows that in 1901 the net result was a sum of \$130,493 in credit of Profit and Loss account; that a dividend to shareholders; that \$14,750 will be written off the value of steamers, and that the balance of \$117,743 be carried forward. The report adds, it is expected that, with the opening of the West River, which now seems probable, profitable employment will be found for the two small boats built by the Dock Company; meanwhile one of them has been placed on the Hongkong-Szechow line."

LI HUNG-CHANG is assured with the Sun Life of Canada, states the *Policy Holder*. The enterprising agent who succeeded in getting his business is Dr. Horney, who travelled with Li Hung-chang during a great part of the recent tour. Dr. Horney obtained Li Hung-chang's assurance, and he also induced him to write an essay on life assurance, in which he says that when he first heard of life assurance he was unable to understand it, but he eventually realised that it was simply an exemplification of the philosophy of preparation to the time of plenty for days of adversity as propounded by Chao P'ing-ching in his commentary on the words of the sage Mencius.

THE leading London weekly journals made a surprising and somewhat ridiculous error when criticising the last Burns' Anniversary Concert at St. James's Hall. It began by speaking of the gathering of the clans "and went on to say that said gathering was to celebrate the anniversary of "John Burns!" This is indeed too good. The critic evidently knew little of Scotland and poet and, judging from his remarks, is little able to appreciate Scotland's music. It is all too likely that he laboured under the impression that the hon. member, Sir Battersea and the author of "A man's a man for a' that" were one and the same person. Well, this is a shame with a vengeance! Poor Robbie!

COMMENTING on the news of the recent four days' trial of the *Camdarion*, when she averaged 18.2 knots, and for half-an-hour she worked up to 19 knots, a London contemporary says:—"The recent experience of the ship only shows once again that the best is never got out of a vessel until her machinery has for some time at work and her engine-room staff have become accustomed to her. Unhappily we have a knack of bringing ships into condition—and when they are taken from the Fleet Reserve they have to run a few thousand miles before their engines get into working order—and then relegating them to the dull work of rotting at moorings or alongside jetties. Truly, we are a practical race."

AT present there is only one mooring buoy for launches in the vicinity of Pedder's Wharf and consequently it is generally in great demand and is often occupied by several boats at once. This morning we counted no less than thirteen craft all hanging on to the buoy together. Should the mooring chain at any time give way under such a strain considerable damage would probably result both to the launches and also to any other boats and other boats in the neighbourhood. We do not know to whom these moorings belong, but something should certainly be done either to provide more moorings or to provide a system of moorings.

interesting report of the *Mis* Fund Com-
mission is published in this issue of the *Hong-
kong Telegraph*.

A Police will play a team of the W.Y.R.—
Columbia Rules to-morrow afternoon.—Kick
off at 4.15 precisely.

The election for 4 Bombardiers to complete the
establishment of 1 Bombardier for each Sub-
marine took place at the Volunteer Headquarters
this afternoon at 5.30. Two of these were
elected from the Dock Detachment.

Mr. Ma Shun Yau Lai Iruahai (Manager
Assurance Jugglers) will call at this office an-
nouncement will be given him regarding non-
cancellation of paragraph. We take this course
he has omitted his address from his note.

is notified by advertisement in another part
this issue that the branch Register of Bell's
Messengers Eastern Agency, Ltd., will be removed
Singapore on the 31st inst. This is to be
by order of the Board of Directors in
London.

Chinaman who was punished with at days
of labor to-day for assaulting girl made
his defence in which he used the
word "barbarian" twice. For this lapse from
dignity the managers the culprit was fined 67 or 28
man's gaol.

On the Cotton Spinning Company held its
annual half-yearly meeting on the 22nd inst. and
declared a net profit of 149,935 yen and a
dividend at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum
the second half of last year, adding 37,500
to the reserve.

The *East Asiatic Correspondence*, the semi-
official Chinese organ in Germany, says that
Colon Cushman von Wahlborn has been appointed
retro-Hungarian Minister in Peking, and that
appointment of a special Chinese Envoy in
Peking has been proposed.

Trees on Queen's Road are certainly hand-
some, but they would not long continue, so if
people like Lo Fok and Lau Fun had their way,
a worthless named were caught posting bills
the trunks of the trees and they had to pay
for each 50 each to-day or refts for 12 days.

The Risk on Saturday night Mr. Sam Marks
lost his benefit. There was a good attendance,
and a capital evening's entertainment was pro-
vided. The boxing contests were very spirited
and a clever display on the horizontal bar was
given by a bluejockey from the *Cantonian* named
Gangstons, for which he was warmly applauded.

The entire band (23 men) of the 3rd Infantry
Regiment, of Sydney N.S.W., has been
discharged "for want of selling" the men are
prohibited from again joining the colony's dance
forces. The band, which was an exceed-
ingly fine one, refused to attend a grand military
"Fatto," one evening at Victoria Barracks,
because the trouble.

Chinese women's earnings seem to have a great
attraction for thieves. Lau Kau was one who
was unable to resist the temptation, and he
snatched off Mrs. Lui Sui's artificial adorn-
ments and bolted. Her cries brought help and
he was caught. He was sentenced to 6
months' hard labour to-day and on admission
received 15 strokes with the birch and 20 ten
days before release. It will therefore be seen
that if he is a sadder if not a wiser Lau
Kau.

THE worst news from India is to the effect that
everything both as regards the plague and the
cholera is going from bad to worse, thousands
are succumbing every week from bacilic plague
and starvation, the authorities are doing all in
their power to grapple with the difficulties with
which they are confronted, the streets of
Bombay are well-nigh deserted, business is
paralysed, and the small-pox is spreading in
Bombay and Poonah, while the plague is
breaking out at Poonah and other points to
which tens of thousands have fled from Bombay.

There is an interesting clipping from the *Pacific
Commercial News* about the little-known *Pleasant
Islanders*—On the arrival here of the *Byrrhoe*
yesterday from Rangoon, a reporter obtained the
following report from the Captain:—We called
on November 22nd at Pleasant Island for refresh-
ments; two splendid boats, loaded with all kinds
vegetables, produce and fowl, put off to the
island as soon as she was observed; three
of the principal men of the island came
on board the boats, namely Mr. Young,
Mr. Christian and Mr. McCoy, together with
three of the inhabitants, including two
girls having mentioned to the principals that
we were in need of sufficient vegetables to last
to San Francisco they immediately responded
most heartily, sending their boats ashore for what
we required, or rather for whatever they could
possibly supply us with; in the meantime the
principals remained on board and shared with
our sea fare, which they evidently enjoyed
very much as a change; I was tolerably con-
fident with the history of Pleasants, and derived
great pleasure from the society of the dependables
the famous *Bounty* mutineers; the principal
concerns in the history of the mutiny I had
in detail, and also procured a book giving a
minute account of the affairs of the Island from
the time of Captain Bickel, 1760, down to 1860,
written by Miss R. A. Young, a native daughter,
whom the Island is justly proud; two young
men wished a passage to San Francisco in the
ship, which at first I saw no harm in complying
with; later I heard Mr. Christian asking them
the reason of their wanting to "quit the Island"
where they had all their wealth, and were
very happy and contented; I had a long
talk with the three principal men con-
cerning them, who told me the young
men had no money and nowhere to find a
permanent home when they arrived in the States,
and advised me not to take them away; I also
learned that one of the leaders on board was
the father of one of the young men; I asked him if
he wished his husband to leave him and his
children and go to a distant land, which he
said he would not do; I then asked the three
of the Island if they would leave their wives and
children to be educated from a good travelling

formation of a new Club, to be called the
Global Smoking Concert Club, was decided
at a well-attended meeting, which was
held at the offices of Messrs. Gibb,
Peterson & Co., the Bond, a few days ago.
Mr. F. W. Such occupied the chair,
and is of the proposed rules of the Club were
passed to the satisfaction of the meeting, after
which, says the *Mercury*, a Provisional Com-
mittee was formed, Mr. A. L. Hall being elected
Treasurer Secretary.

The launch of the second of the new vessels
built for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha took
on 21st ult. This was from Henderson's
yard on the Clyde, and was unfortunately not
attended by accident. She is named the
Mats Maru, and while launching her one of
the opposite bank of the river. It was
expected she would get off next tide, but it was
till the afternoon of the following day that
she was properly put into her future element.

It seems that the Teair is nearly as a Mac-
gregor of Perthshire as the Empress Eugenie is
of the kingdom of Clousburg, Dumfriesshire. Says a
paper:-The coming of the Teair brought
into a strange story which found its way into
press 47 years ago. It was that the Emperor
Mei-hoas on his mother's side was a Macgregor.
A gentleman of the name, residing at Brig o'
Turk, publicly announced that the Emperor of
China was a member of the clan "that was
bloodless by day." He asserted that when the
late Nicholas's father (Paul) was in London he
was in love with his (Macgregor's) aunt whom
he happened to see riding her Shetland pony in
St James Park, got introduced to her parents and
himself, privately married her and took her to
China, where she became the mother of
Emperors. The young lady in question, who
was noted for her beauty, certainly did go to
China. A curious thing about this story is that
in the Grand Duke Constantine (brother of
Alexander the Great) was on his way from Callender to the
Scottish country, he passed the Brig o' Turk,
and was very anxious to know as much as pos-
sible about the place. The story getting into
his ears created such sufficient interest in him, the
Duke of Scotland to send copies of the issue of
local paper which published it to a premium.

According to the Spanish Budget for 1896-97,
the strength of the army is fixed as follows: As
regards the infantry, the second battalions of
the regiments garrisoned at home, and of which
first battalions are now in Cuba, are increased
from 652 to 804 men. The 20 rifle battalions
are to be given a strength of 964 men, instead of
as hitherto. The 20 second battalions are
likewise raised in strength from 350 to 964 men.
As 10 rifle battalions now in Cuba are to be
brought up to the same strength. Each of the
sixty regiments attached to brigades is to be
brought to a strength of 450 men and horses;
remaining six regiments forming the
independent cavalry force are to be brought to
men and horses. The artillery now in home
regiments consists of four regiments armed with
each gun, nine regiments with 31-inch guns,
two of light artillery (two horse and two moun-
tain), and three regiments of mountain
artillery. The regiments armed with 31-inch
guns will be increased by 48 guns, the remain-
ing 17 regiments, with 68 batteries and 408
pieces. The strength of the best artillery bat-
tery will be increased by from eighty to one
hundred men. By these and other additions to
numerical strength, the total figure of the
standing army is raised from about 84,000 to
100,000 men, notwithstanding which, thanks to
economies effected, the expense is estimated at
£4-5 million pounds less than last year.—
Nieder-Wienblatt.

THE 'ILITIS' RELIEF FUND.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

Mr. Gribble has forwarded to us the following
report of the Committee of the above Fund for
publication:—

"The Committee has the honour to inform
you that the following report for the period of subscribers.
—The Committee sent subscription lists to
principal Chinese coast ports, Peking, and
Shanghai, the Yangtsze ports, and also
to Hongkong have been sent independently in this
letter."

"Germans and subjects of other nationalities
have everywhere subscribed with great
liberality and liberally, and the Committee beg
express their warmest thanks to all and
especially to those gentlemen who have taken
on themselves the trouble of collecting
contributions."

"The Chief Commander of the German
Legation has expressed his sincerest thanks in a
letter addressed to the Imperial German Consul-
General of Hongkong for the sympathy shown by
his Government for the relatives of those who
perished in this disaster and intimates that
the funds so kindly collected be remitted to
the Reich Marine Amt, which will receive all
such monies."

"A specified list of subscribers will be
attached to the remittance."

"Following is the total of the subscrip-
tion list:—"

Hongkong	\$2,449.15			
Canton	485.00			
Szaoow	320.00			
Amyoy	186.00			
Formosa	390.00			
Poochoe	355.00			
Newchwang	20.00			
Tientsin	1,234.50			
Peking	85.00			
Hollow	50.00			
Interest accumulated.....	14.34			
Less	\$6,420.21			
Cost of telegram to Shang-	hai	\$ 5.00		
Cost of telegram to	Berlin	\$5.50		
Printing matter (no	charge made by	Messrs. Goodes &	Co.)	45.50
Balance	\$5,375.34			

Hongkong, January 15th, 1897.

The Committee:
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General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1897. [179]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUNGKIANG."
Captain C. B. N. Dodd, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1897. [177]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHANGSHA."
Captain Williams, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 1st February, at 4 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1897. [178]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"MYRMIDON."
Captain Gardner, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 1st February.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, 16th January, 1897. [175]

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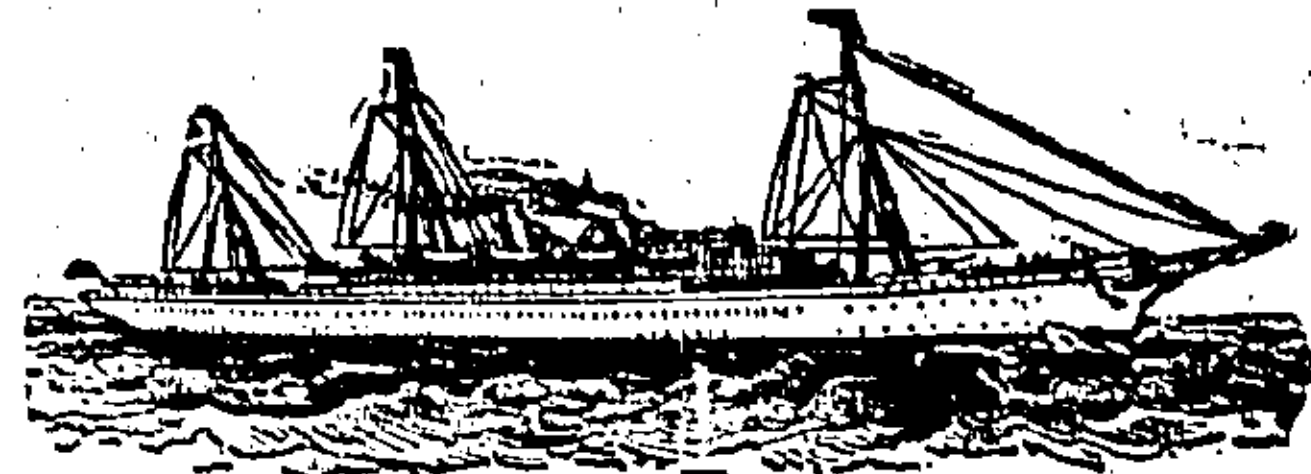
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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE



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Twin Screw Steamships—4,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPEROR OF INDIA...Comdr. G. P. Marshall, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 17th February.
EMPEROR OF JAPAN...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 17th March.
EMPEROR OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 7th April.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal ports and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TOUR TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney, Australia, via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months, £100.

The attractive features of this Company's route, embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition) and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, etc., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1897.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Belge (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....Thursday, 4th Feb., at Noon.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....Tuesday, 23rd Feb., at Noon.

Galle (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....Saturday, 13th March, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"BELGIC"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 4th February, 1897, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCELS should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 15th January, 1897.

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,

SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

SOLE AGENTS FOR HARTMAN'S PATENT GENUINE COMPOSITION RED HAND BRAND, HARTMAN'S GREY PAINT, HARTMAN'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES, &c.

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EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK AT REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 16th Jan. 1897.

U. S. MAIL LINE, PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Calico (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama).....Tuesday, 26th Jan., at Noon.

Pera (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....Saturday, 13th Feb., at Noon.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....Tuesday, and March, at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CHINA"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA AND YOKOHAMA, on TUESDAY, the 26th January, 1897, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, &c.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained upon application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of \$4 in addition to the regular Land rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in San Francisco, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1897.

NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

FLUID

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AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY ITS USE.

W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
Sole Agents.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1897.

Mails.



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PEKAN, GULU, CONTINENTAL and AMERICAN PORTS).

THE Steamship

"ROSETTA."

Captain F. N. Tildard, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 26th January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1897. [15]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT.

BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS: LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LOGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Prins Heinrich Tuesday... 12nd Feb.

Prinzess Tuesday... 12nd March.